

CONFIDENTIAL

25X1

152581

Terrorism

5. "A new wave of arrests and imprisonments have swept Poland from east to west. The majority of these arrested are members of independent movements; ex-underground workers under the German occupation, and under the present regime. Members of WIN (*Wolność i Niepodległość* -- Freedom and Independence) are treated most inhumanly of all. This organization must be wiped out completely, according to the regime. Among members of the AK (*Armia Krajowa* -- the Country's Army) not only those who had not revealed themselves have been arrested, but also many who came out during the amnesty, especially those who held important positions.
6. "A new provocation by the regime came to light in connection with the attack on a train in Nowy Targ. This train was stopped during the night by fake partisans, who invaded the cars and opened fire, killing and wounding a substantial number of passengers. It is a fact that the attackers were UB employees who staged this affair to create hatred against the partisans among the population.

Activity of the Underground

7. "In spite of the efforts of the regime during the Arakow trials against WIN, the public regarded the trials as a political fight and not an act of justice. The reaction was favorable toward WIN. Its leadership used this friendly atmosphere to send out its appraisal of the present situation and give instructions for the future. The instructions were widely distributed among the public; from the point of view of the security of the movement, this action must be considered as unwise. The UB has since doubled its efforts against the members of WIN.

The Economic Situation

8. "There is a great lack of potatoes in cities because potatoes were not delivered from the rural areas. The activity of the so-called 'supply fund' created a complete lack of fats and the prices rose abruptly to new heights; a kg of butter costs 500-600 zlotys. The fund started buying up fats at prices often much higher than those officially set. These fats were supposed to be used for the working population in the cities. No distribution has as yet taken place, however. There is suspicion that because of the Soviet policy to fashion Germany, the fats were sent to the Soviet Zone, as had happened with potatoes. The supply of grain from Russia has the aspect of a perfidious propaganda action: transports are received with orchestras and ceremony; then the grain goes to the mills, and the flour goes to Soviet warehouses in the Soviet Zone of Germany.
9. "New licensing of private enterprises, costing 9% of the June turnover, has been felt acutely. There is also a lack of personnel for private undertakings, as assignment of such has been stopped. Only in one aspect have things eased up a bit: the reconstruction of Gdansk. This activity has turned for the better because private initiative has been admitted to this work."

- end -

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL